

Australia is introducing the New Vehicle Efficiency Standard



As we move towards a more sustainable future, the Australian Government is introducing the New Vehicle Efficiency Standard (the Standard).

What is the New Vehicle Efficiency Standard?

- Starting in 2025, people in Australia will have more choices to buy new cars that are:
 - More fuel efficient with low or no emissions.
 - Better for the environment.
- The Standard is a regulatory measure that will set emissions targets for new cars sold in Australia.
- It encourages car manufacturers and importers to offer fuel efficient, low and zero emission vehicles.

Why implement the New Vehicle Efficiency Standard?

- Over 85% of the global car market has a fuel efficiency standard in place, including the EU, USA, New Zealand, China, India and Japan. Australia is joining the natural progression towards sustainability.
- The Standard also keeps Australia on track to meet our goal of 'net zero' emissions by 2050.

How will it work?

- Incentives and penalties will be applied to car manufacturers to encourage the supply of fuel efficient, low or no emission cars.
- Car manufacturers will have a set average target of vehicle emissions to meet each year.
- The Standard will only apply to new vehicles sold in Australia.
- The Standard will mean those looking to buy a new car will get more fuel efficient choices in the cars they like to drive whether they are diesel, hybrid, electric or petrol.

What are the benefits?

Saving money

- Australians who buy a new fuel efficient, low or zero emissions car can expect to save money at the petrol bowser every day.
- As a country, Australia can expect around \$95 billion in fuel savings by 2050.
- People who live in regional or rural areas drive greater distances. For those who buy a new fuel efficient car from 2025, they can expect to benefit from even greater fuel savings.

Better for the environment and our health

- Currently, transport makes up 21% of emissions in Australia, and of this, cars make up 60% of all transport emissions (12.7% of Australia's total emissions).
- The Standard will be better for the environment and will help reduce fuel consumption per kilometre. This will help Australia reach 'net zero' emissions.
- Less polluting cars will improve the quality of the air we all breathe and Australians will benefit from around \$5 billion in health savings by 2050.

More choice in new fuel efficient cars

- To meet emissions targets, car manufacturers and suppliers will be encouraged to offer an increased range in fuel efficient cars for sale. This means there will be more hybrid and electric vehicle choices, and more petrol and diesel choices, including those available in other markets.
- As more of these cars enter the market, it is expected there will be an increase in fuel efficient cars available in the second hand market.

Where can I find more information?

For more information, visit cleanercars.gov.au

